

Partnership Grants in Town Revitalization

The purpose of these Grants is to assist small businesses with the cost of revitalizing the semi-public space (property line to front building facade where significant visual change in a building or property is proposed to enhance the district environment.

Terms and Conditions

Replacement of property elements with new and different materials. This change must be complimentary to the existing character of the surrounding business district and shall demonstrate a positive, noticeable change in appearance.

Replacement or repair with like materials is generally not applicable, unless it can be agreed that the repair will eliminate the appearance of a blighted property.

Elements applicable for the grant program shall include, but not limited to the following types of Improvements: signs, lights, decorative banners, benches, site hardscape elements such as brick pavers or stone monuments, doors, shutters, new awnings, and permanent landscape treatments.

The grant may be made to match up to 50% of the cost of the improvement to a maximum of \$4,000 per site.

Application Procedures

The applicant shall complete the grant request form and attach any drawings, concepts or material pertinent to the application.

Applications completed with all necessary materials will be reviewed when received by the Abington Township Economic Development Committee (EDC).

The Abington Township Economic Development Committee (EDC) at any regularly scheduled meeting shall make a motion to approve or deny the grant, and may impose any conditions necessary to ensure the intended outcome.

Staff shall review three quotations for each work item and request, and if the request is approved by the Economic Development Committee, (EDC) shall issue a letter of intent to pay the chosen contractor direct for services rendered. In the case of landowner or business owner labor involvement, only material costs shall be included for cover-age.

The Abington Township Economic Development Committee (EDC) shall render decisions in order to determine the merits and priorities of a greater number of applications.

Grants are determined on merit, not by order received. The program is valid while funding is available. Funds must be spent in the calendar year.

Previous winners of the Town Revitalization Partnership Grant are required to wait two years to reapply for the program.

(Up to \$4,000) - An Economic Development Committee Initiative